Dear Henry,

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A Detroit workingman, who is not an expert, goes to the Ford Library and from time to time sends me copies of what he found int eresting. I enclose a few copies from his last two batches, which I'd not had time to go over before. In some instances I've marked what I believe will interest you. This is not to say that nothing else will. Some of the typed stuff, what is not professional typing, may well be by Styles because some of that typing is. While I may have known and forgotten it, because the "gal" stuff in the Ruby memo did not seem familiar, I am including it. I'm also sending a copy of Paul Koch, without flagging this, to see if he reacts independently. It is my recollection that the reference to Burkley fortifies what you ~~xxxx~~ wrote.

What a deal you have on wood! If you have space, you'd be wise to accumulate it and let it dry thoroughly. It will give more heat and last longer.

I don't know why your fire doesn't last the night, but maybe it is because you let it burn more intensely that I need. Of course, I'm of the age where most men have to get up during the night. When I do I add a piece. But I've found that where I don't is still last, with enough coals so that I need no kindling most of the time. However, now t at I think of it, my next neighbor also uses much more kindling than I do.

I'm like you~~ll~~ in liking the appearance, etc. of an open fire. The year after I bought my Timberline fireplace insert stove they came out with a glass-front model. Perhaps others have also. I know t at a fire making a free-standing insert does. Mine is so effecient that I figured it had more than paid for itself the first year I had it. I believe that even now, buying wood, I'm spending only about a third of what oil would cost.

I also had troubles with ashes until I learned about fire rakes. I presume you have a stove that has no ashpit. First I~~m~~ had a toothed rake made for side-to-side raking, then a simple, rectangular one (because the commerical ones are outrageously overprice) which is all I really need now. I merely push the coals ~~xx~~ and burning wood to one side during the daytime, let it burn up some, then rakes the ashes to the front and take them out and later reverse the pushing. I also find, if you haven't, that in addition to an old-fashioned coal shovel a garden trowel is quite handy. I use an old refrigerator vegetable pan about 4" high and rectangular at the stove and then dump the contents into a five-gallon bucket. Now that my wife has appropriated several of the metal buckets for bird foods I'm a little short on them if we get prolonged bad weather. But all adverse developments combined in the past never led to the accumulation of more than 3 buckets full before I could sift the ashes, save the coals and compost the rest.

On calling me, almost any time is fine. I have a Tuesday afternoon (9th) dental appointment, then nothing scheduled until the late morning of the 18th. Today the leg, thigh and foot are a little swollen and heavy, but normal color, and while I'm a little uneasy about it, the weekend substitute for my doctor thinks it is not exceptional so I'm assuming it will mean nothing. We've suddenly gone from May to December, over the night during which this developed, and there appears to be some kind of weather correlation with these kinds of conditions. I've forgotten the date, but I think in a couple of weeks I may have one or two dental appointments as he agrees to extract a couple of molars that I've had on borrowed time most of my adult life. I don't want them to develope toothaches and then have to wait for four days, while the anticoagulant wears out, before anything can be done. But absent something unusual, like bleeding after extraction, they should not create any problem in taking.

My hours are so ewhat more normal since these surgeries. I no longer get up at 3 and go on four-five hours sleep. I got to enjoying reading just for fun again and often do that at ~~midnight~~ night. I can bed anythime beginning at 10, more often a little later, and I'm usually up about 5-5:30. I try for seven hours and usually get just a little less. However, the afternoons are better for me because the WxPost and local am come about 6, when I get them. I read until abouy 7:15 when this time of the year I drive to the mall in which I walk. I'll probably increase my walking time when the cold keeps me in more (doctor's idea, not mine), but now I'm usually home 10:30 or a little later. Unless we have shopping (jy wife doesn't drive) or I visit a neighbor, I'm generally home for the rest of the day or, if we go out to eat, until suppertime. I'm almost never away long after dark. Caution. I have cataracts too green for surgery, light reffacts in them, and I avoid night driving to be careful. But, three nights this week I did drive after dark, with no real problems. But never after coming back from dining. So, feel free.

If I remain without an affidavit requirements, after I've cleaned everything up, I'm going to get ready to return to the King book.

On, yes, 11/22 probably won't be a good day. I've already been asked to do an Atlanta show by phone, midday, and agreed. There may be other such requests.

In your 11/1 you put the unsual problem faced by the experienced writer on the political assassinations rather well, and for what you infer, thanks. It is sui generis and ought not be intimindating once recognized.

I don't recall whether I told you that I'll be getting 8x10 prints of pictures that are JFK assassination records of the Dallas and New Orleans offices. The details remain to be worked out. If you'd like any, let me know which.

I don't know if you are going into the police tape and HSCA's conclusion of conspiracy based on it, but unless the FBI can continue to get away with claiming it was given to the WC after I've proven that it didn't, I'm to get dubs of it. They should be of much better quality that what HSCA had and the Ramsey NAS panel used. Or, BB&N. Both HSCA, which had permitted itself little other choice, and the Dallas people, examined it only without context.

Going along with this, I'm to get a copy of the Zapruder film. Zap's son made me an unacceptable offer and I'm making a counteroffer. I'll settle for what Jim has not yet proposed. permission to make 35mm slides from the original. This will yield about 20% more on each film, the marginal material in the sprocket area. With the published frames only I've been able to prove that the Willis fifth slide was taken before the WC's first shot. In the marginal material Willis can be seen taking the camera down from his eye and moving into the street for his next shot. As of my present recollection, which is very close, this means that he had taken his picture and begun to move by the time of Frame 202 in Shaneyfelt's and the WC's numbering. I put it all together in WWII.

If I've never mentioned it and if it interests you, the FBI bugger and tapped Marina and I've got the records, except that after learning of the content from teletypes I declined copies of the tapes because they are too personal. Hoover persuaded Warren that she should be tapped, then told the AG Warren wanted it, and then bugged her home without asking for authorization.

Best wishes,